

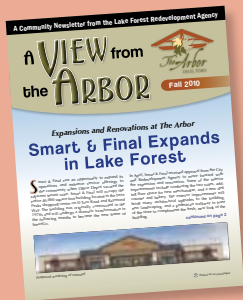
# The LEAFLET



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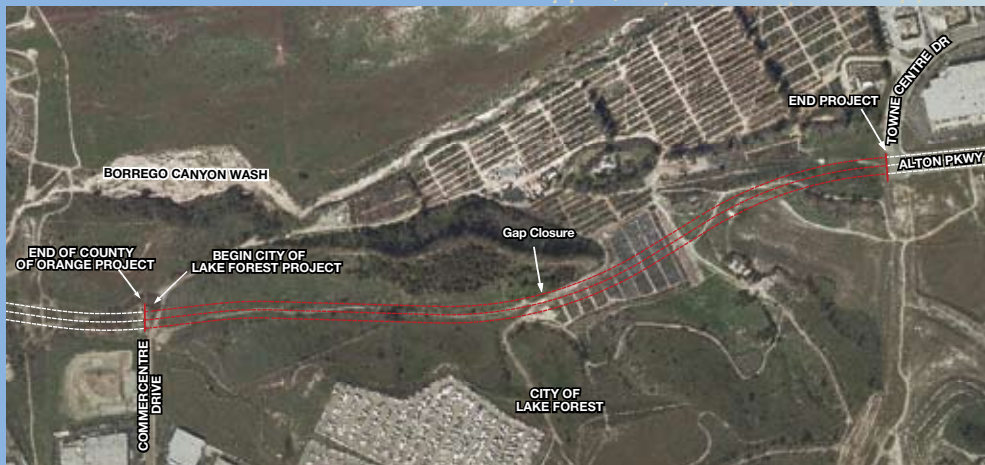
## Family Pet Day Extravaganza

**Saturday, November 13, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Pittsford Park**

Calling all pets (and their owners too)! Join us for this year's Family Pet Day Extravaganza – filled with entertainment, information booths, and vendors catering to two- and four-legged friends. So put on your hat and bring your favorite furry friends to beautiful Pittsford Park for an afternoon of family fun. See page 2 for more information.

## Capital Improvement Projects Update:

## You're Invited to the Alton Parkway Groundbreaking Ceremony



On Wednesday, September 22, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., the City will proudly host the Alton Parkway Groundbreaking Ceremony. City officials, along with local dignitaries, will be on-site to kick-off one of the most anticipated projects in Lake Forest. See page 5 for more information.

***I Love My Lake Forest Park ... Page 6***

***By Lynn Jackson***

## CITY MANAGER'S



# Message

In today's busy world, how do you stay connected to your community? How do you know what's going on in your own city? In Lake Forest, we've worked hard to harness the power of technology to drive tangible

improvements in customer service and transparency here at City Hall.

Over the next year, we will highlight technology aimed at providing you easier access to the information you care about. Staff is currently analyzing activity on our City website to determine the types of information viewed most frequently by website visitors. This information will drive a redesign to make our website even more accessible. We invite you to continue visiting our website including *Latest City News* with articles such as "City Council and Executive Compensation Information" and "City of Lake Forest Wins Case Against Illicit Massage Parlor." You may also want to check out the *City Events* module, or sign up to receive press releases at <http://www.lakeforestca.gov/ezines>, or our City's electronic newsletter at <http://www.lakeforestca.gov/enewsletter>. Other City-hosted websites of interest that can be accessed on the City's main page include *LF Seniors*, *LF Teens*, *Etnies Skatepark*, *4th of July*, *Commercial Properties Now*, and *Economic Development*. In addition, in this issue we highlight the web applications *Access Online Agendas* and *Shop and Dine Lake Forest*.

The City is committed to promoting transparency in local governance. Through *The Leaflet*, *Leisure Times*, *A View from the Arbor*, *Focus on the Future*, *Teen Lounge Update*, and *Senior Scene*, among other means, we will continue to provide information of interest and importance to our local community. As always, we also invite you to call and speak with a live person regarding any issues you may have concerning your local city services.

Moving forward, the City will continue to utilize technology to promote and maintain transparency at City Hall and to support our common goals of living, learning, and working in today's increasingly complex and information-rich society.

Sincerely,

*Robert C. Dunek*

Robert C. Dunek,  
City Manager

## Family Pet Day Extravaganza

(from page 1)

Be sure to bring your camera for photo ops with Nectar – "The Official Mascot of the City of Lake Forest" – and competitors in the annual Pet Contest. There will be low cost licensing, vaccination and pet adoptions, provided by O.C. Animal Care Services. Food and gift items will be available for sale, with proceeds benefiting local nonprofits and animals in need.

**Date:** Saturday, November 13, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Free** (Nominal fee for some activities and vendors)

**Location:** Pittsford Park (21701 Pittsford Dr)

To participate as a vendor, please contact Friends of Lake Forest Animals at (714) 382-8738 or [events@folfa.org](mailto:events@folfa.org). For more information, call the City of Lake Forest at 461-3450.

## Fair Housing Opportunity is the Law

The City of Lake Forest is committed to furthering fair housing practices in the community. If you or someone you know has a fair housing question or issue that needs to be addressed, please call the City's Housing Manager at 461-3471. The City cooperates with the Fair Housing Council of Orange County to eliminate discriminatory practices countywide. An impediment to fair housing opportunity is any policy or practice that denies or adversely affects the provision of housing to a person in any protected class.

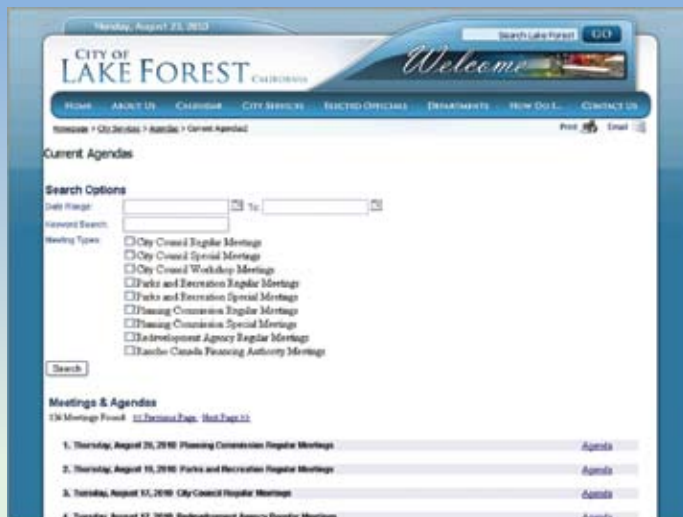
## Upcoming City Council Meeting Dates

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Tuesday, September 21
- Tuesday, October 5
- Tuesday, October 19
- Tuesday, November 2



# ACCESS ONLINE AGENDAS TODAY



Did you know that City Council, Redevelopment Agency, Parks and Recreation Commission and Planning Commission agendas are all available online through the City's automated agenda management system? Information on current agenda items, as well as matters previously heard by the Council, can be found by clicking the red "Agendas" icon under the Online Services section of the City's homepage. Click Current Agendas to see the most recent meetings or search for specific keywords or date ranges. Curious about the Alton Parkway Roadway project? Type "Alton Parkway" in the keyword box and click search. Looking for a particular

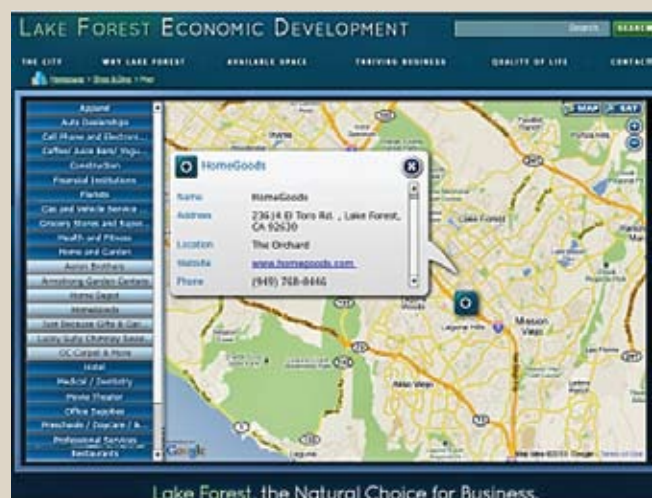
meeting agenda? Simply add a date range and narrow your search even further. Once you find the meeting date, open the agenda and scroll down to find the Agenda Item you are interested in. The Item titles are links to PDF copies of the agenda report and attachments. Have specific questions? Contact the City Clerk's Office at 461-3420 for more information.

## Wondering Where to Shop and Dine Lake Forest? Check Out the New Interactive Map!

Shop and Dine Lake Forest, the City's free marketing program, now features an interactive map that displays more than 400 participating Lake Forest businesses by category type from *Apparel to Home* and *Garden to Restaurants*. The map can be found on the City's economic development website [www.lakeforestbusiness.com](http://www.lakeforestbusiness.com) and includes business name, address, website, and phone number.

Lake Forest residents and businesses, as well as visitors to our great city, can now quickly locate one of the many great shops and eateries in town and see an exact location on the map.

Businesses and commercial property owners in Lake Forest are encouraged to participate in Shop and Dine Lake Forest. Registration is free and can be completed by filling out the tenant or property owner participation form online. For more information, contact the City's Economic Development Division at [economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov) or at 461-3567.



# Fire Safety Tips

In Southern California, it's always fire season. Take some time to remind yourself of the key fire safety tips that will help keep you and your family safe. For more information on fire safety, visit [www.ocfa.org](http://www.ocfa.org).



## Practice In-Home Fire Strategies and Exit Drills

- Stop, Drop and Roll
- Know when to use fire extinguishers and practice using them
- Ensure that all family members know how to react when they hear a smoke alarm
- Test your smoke alarm once a month and change batteries per the manufacturer's recommendation
- Draw a floor plan of your home that includes the primary and secondary exits for each room
- Select a safe meeting place to wait for the fire department
- During a fire, once you are outside, stay outside!

## Fire and Emergency Supply Kits

Everyone should put together an emergency supply kit with provisions for at least 72 hours. The list provided includes basic necessities, but it's important to consider individual and family needs in order to create a kit that will meet all your needs.

### BASIC EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

- Water – 1 gallon per person per day
- Non-perishable food and non-electric can opener
- Battery powered radio and extra batteries
- Flashlights (one per person) and extra batteries
- First aid kit, including manual
- Prescription medications
- Spare eyeglasses
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust masks to help filter contaminated air
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter in place
- Personal sanitation items (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)
- Toilet paper and garbage bags for waste
- Tool kit, including wrench to turn off utilities
- Heavy gloves for clearing debris
- ABC fire extinguisher
- Cooking/eating necessities, including cups, plates, utensils and paper towels
- Local maps
- Cash (small bills and change)
- Copies of important family documents
- Food and water for pets

Individuals should consider having smaller, portable emergency supply kits in their workplace and/or vehicle.

**Energy Savings!**

## Counterclockwise in the summer – clockwise in the winter



You'll save up to 40% on air conditioning costs in the summer and 10% on heating costs in the winter by managing air flow with a ceiling fan.

Most *Energy Star* rated ceiling fans use only about as much power as a 100-watt incandescent bulb. Setting the blade direction on your fan to run counterclockwise in summer directs air downward and creates a breeze; in the winter, running it clockwise will force cold air upward and warm air down to you.

## Capital Improvement Projects Update:

### Alton Parkway Groundbreaking Ceremony *(from page 1)*

Project plans have been approved and construction is ready to begin on the Alton Parkway Extension project. With construction contracts recently awarded by both the City of Lake Forest and the County of Orange, this eagerly anticipated CIP construction project will soon be underway. The County's portion of the project will extend Alton Parkway between Irvine Boulevard and Commercentre Drive, while the City's portion of the project will extend Alton Parkway from Commercentre Drive to Town Centre Drive, closing the existing roadway gap.

This project is expected to reduce existing traffic congestion and accommodate future traffic volumes. "The City of Lake Forest is excited to be moving forward with this arterial highway improvement," said Bob Woodings, Director of Public Works/City Engineer. The project schedule estimates completion in Fall 2011.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held off of Bake Parkway at the intersection of Commercentre Drive and Arctic Ocean Drive. So come on by and bid a final, fond farewell to the gap!

## Pack a Waste-Free Lunch



The average American school-age child throws away about 65 pounds of packaging a year. This includes plastic water and drink bottles, paper napkins, aluminum foil, sandwich baggies, and juice boxes. You can help cut down on the lunchtime environmental impact and pack a waste-free lunch for your child.

- Pack food in reusable lunch containers (sandwiches, fruits, veggies, snacks).
- Control food portions so there are no "leftovers" to dispose.
- Send a cloth napkin which may be washed and reused.
- Store water, juice, or other beverages in a reusable BPA free stainless steel bottle.
- Pack it all up in a reusable lunch bag or tote.

## Free Recycling Programs



In our efforts to promote a cleaner, safer community environment, the City has provided Drop-Off Boxes for residents use. Residents can dispose of batteries, sharps, and over-the-counter medications. Drop-Off Boxes are located at City Hall next to the Public Counter on the 1st floor.

**Batteries:** All types of residential, in home use batteries are accepted. (*Drop boxes are also available at the El Toro and Foothill Ranch Libraries.*)

**Sharps:** All sharps, injection needles, lancets, and syringes are accepted. (Must be enclosed in a rigid, puncture resistant sealed container, up to one-gallon – no loose sharps can be accepted.)

**Medications:** All non-controlled (over the counter) medications are accepted. (No liquid medications.)

**ALSO:** Compact Fluorescent Light Bulb (CFL) and Fluorescent Light Tube (FLT) Disposal is available at both Lake Forest Home Depot locations.

- The Home Depot  
23651 El Toro Road  
Lake Forest, CA 92630  
949-206-0113  
(The corner of El Toro Road and Rockfield Blvd.)

- The Home Depot  
20021 Lake Forest Drive  
Lake Forest, CA 92630  
949-609-0221  
(On Rancho Parkway between Lake Forest Dr. & Bake Parkway)

For additional information contact Public Works at 461-3480.



## I Love My Lake Forest Park – Serrano Creek Park

By Lynn Jackson

I recently retired and I am very selective on how I spend my time. I feel very fortunate that the Serrano Creek Park is close to my house and that I can walk my dog there daily.

**Parks  
Make  
Life  
Better!**

As I entered the park the other day, I wasn't there even five minutes when I saw a bird of prey, a family of Mallard ducks, butterflies, birds, and a horse and rider. It gives me the feeling of being with true nature, walking the winding trails lined with various species of trees. From the rustic paths along the creek, to the children's playground, there is always someone or some activity to enjoy.

The park has offered me social interaction with pets and their owners, allowed me valuable time for exercise and relaxation and just the beauty of the scenery and soothing sounds of the creek puts me in a happier frame of mind. I love my Serrano Creek Park.

*Thanks for sharing Lynn, and we hope you enjoy your goodie basket! If you'd like to share why you love your Lake Forest park, submit an article of 250 words or less and it could be featured in an upcoming issue for all to see. Selected authors will receive a goodie basket filled with all sorts of park-worthy treats! Entries can be dropped off at City Hall or emailed to [ParksMakeLifeBetter@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:ParksMakeLifeBetter@lakeforestca.gov). For more information, call 461-3544. See you at the park!*



## City Paint Program



Does the exterior of your home or mobile home need a fresh coat of paint? The Neighborhood Pride Paint Program, funded by the City's Federal Community Development Block Grant, is a citywide program that assists qualified homeowners with the exterior painting of their home. This service is provided at NO CHARGE. Over 75 homes have been assisted to date, and this year the City is again seeking qualified homeowners who are interested in having their homes painted.

Selection of owner-occupied homes or mobile homes will be by lottery. Due to funding constraints, the number of homes selected to participate will be limited. To qualify: (1) properties must be owner-occupied, (2) the home or mobile home must be in need of painting as determined by the City, (3) the existing exterior paint must be lead-free, (4) owners may not have assets in excess of \$120,000, excluding the value of the home, and (5) homeowners must qualify by not exceeding the income limits listed below:

### Maximum Income Limit by Household Size

1 person household	2 person household	3 person household	4 person household	5 person household
<b>\$52,050</b>	<b>\$59,450</b>	<b>\$66,900</b>	<b>\$74,300</b>	<b>\$80,250</b>

Homes will be tested to determine if lead-based paint is present prior to acceptance. If lead-based paint is found, the homeowner will be offered the opportunity to apply for a housing rehabilitation loan to implement lead abatement measures and repainting. A professional paint contractor will prepare and paint each home.

If interested in participating, please pick up an application packet at City Hall or call 461-3552 to have one mailed. Return the application to the City of Lake Forest, 25550 Commercentre Drive, Suite 100, Lake Forest, California 92630, Attention: Sandi Medrano, **no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 28, 2010.**

# Recreation/Events Calendar

## Winter 2010-11 (September, October, November)

### SEPTEMBER

#### "The Lounge" Teen Program **13**

Re-opens for the 2010/11 School Year. 3:30 pm-6 pm,  
Lake Forest Community Center  
(25550 Commercentre Dr)  
Fee: Free  
Pre-registration  
is required for this program

#### Band Nights at the Skatepark **17**

6 pm-10 pm  
Etnies Skatepark  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)  
Fee: \$5 entry per person



#### Basic Bugs with Dr. Sue's Traveling Insect Zoo **18**

5:30 pm-7 pm  
Lake Forest Nature Park  
(26215 Dimension Dr)  
Fee: \$5 per person  
Pre-registration is  
required for this program



#### Free Mammograms **24**

8 am-1 pm  
Lake Forest Community Center  
(25550 Commercentre Dr)  
Fee: Free  
(For appointments call YWCA  
North Orange County at  
714-871-4488, ext 207)

### OCTOBER

#### Movies at the Skatepark **1**

6 pm-10 pm  
Etnies Skatepark  
of Lake Forest  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)  
Fee: \$5 per person



#### Riverbed Cleanup and Recycle Fest **9**

10 am-1 pm  
Etnies Skatepark  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)  
Fee: Free to participate.  
Food, drink, and opportunity  
prize tickets included with  
participation.



#### Band Nights at the Skatepark **15**

6 pm-10 pm  
Etnies Skatepark  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)  
Fee: \$5 entry per person



#### Hike to the Sinks in Limestone Canyon **16**

9 am-11:30 am  
Hangman's Tree  
Parking Lot (Location  
details will be given  
to hike registrants in  
separate confirmation letter)  
Fee: \$5 (includes snack  
and bottled water)



### OCTOBER

#### Autumn Harvest Festival **23**

4 pm-9 pm  
Heritage Hill Historical Park  
(25151 Serrano Rd)  
Fee: \$4 adults,  
\$3 children 12 and under



#### 2010 Fall Classic Skate/BMX Contest Series Hallow's Eve Bowl Jam **29**

4 pm-10 pm  
Etnies Skatepark  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr)  
Fee: \$30 at entry  
(includes contest t-shirt)



### NOVEMBER

#### Agua Chinon Hike in Limestone Canyon **6**

9 am-12 pm  
Portola Staging Area.  
(Location details will be given  
to hike registrants in separate  
confirmation letter)  
Fee: \$5 (includes snack  
and bottled water)



#### Senior Resource Fair & Free Flu Vaccinations **10**

10 am-12:30 pm  
Lake Forest Community Center  
(25550 Commercentre Dr)  
Fee: Free  
(Vaccines based on availability)

#### Family Pet Day Extravaganza **13**

11 am-3 pm  
Pittsford Park  
(21701 Pittsford Dr)  
Fee: Free.  
Nominal fee for some  
activities and vendors



#### Haunt at Heritage Hill **22**

5:30 pm-10 pm  
Heritage Hill Historical Park  
(25151 Serrano Rd)  
Fee: \$5 per person (pay at the door)  
**Ages 12 years and older ONLY**



Register for Winter classes and programs beginning Tuesday,  
November 16! For more info call Community Services at 461-3450.



City of Lake Forest  
25550 Commercentre Drive  
Lake Forest, CA 92630

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## Important City Telephone Numbers



OC Animal Care . . . . . 249-5160  
Building Division . . . . . 461-3470  
Building Inspection . . . . 461-3468  
City Clerk . . . . . 461-3420  
City Council . . . . . 461-3420  
City Manager's Office . . . 461-3410  
Code Enforcement . . . . 461-3474  
Community  
Policing Center . . . . . 461-3530  
Etnies Skatepark . . . . . 916-5870  
Graffiti Hotline . . . . . 461-3583  
Planning . . . . . 461-3491  
Public Works . . . . . 461-3480  
Recreation . . . . . 461-3450  
Redevelopment . . . . . 461-3567

### IMPORTANT CITY WEBSITES

City  
[www.lakeforestca.gov](http://www.lakeforestca.gov)  
Economic Development  
[www.lakeforestbusiness.com](http://www.lakeforestbusiness.com)  
Lake Forest Redevelopment Agency  
[www.theharbor.info](http://www.theharbor.info)  
Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest  
[www.etnieskateparkoflakeforest.com](http://www.etnieskateparkoflakeforest.com)



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## "EXPAND THE FOREST"

The Expand the Forest program allows members of the community to dedicate trees in memory of departed loved ones or to commemorate special occasions while encouraging the expansion of our urban forest. Trees are \$70 and are planted and maintained by the City. There are eight different species of approved trees which may be planted in almost any public property location, including City parks and green belts.



**For more information, please call the Public Works Department at 461-3480.**

SPONSORS	TREE SPECIES	LOCATION	DEDICATION
Allen and Jaimie Basso	California Sycamore	Peachwood Park	Birth of Our Son, Blake Scott Basso
The Fletcher Family	Magnolia Tree	Peachwood Park	In Loving Memory of Daniel Erickson
Daughters of the America Revolution – Mission Viejo Chapter	Magnolia Trees (4)	Borrego Park	In Honor of the Members of Mission Viejo Chapter NSDAR
Jenny Nonora	Sycamore	Borrego park	Still Missing You, Dave – Mom, Amy, Stacey, and Jenny
Jeanne Huxell	Sycamore	Borrego park	Remembering Joseph Anthony Wright, With Love, Your Family, Amy Stacey, Jenny and Aunt Jeanne
Darlene Senatore and Family	Magnolia Tree	Tamarisk Park	In Loving Memory of Maurice Senatore, Loving Husband, Father, and Grandfather
Cabrera & Zaccarro Family	Magnolia Tree	Borrego Park	Kerri Tucker
Armenian Relief Society, Karni Chapter	Coast Live Oak	Foothill Ranch Community Park	Armenian Relief Society Karni Chapter, 1910-2010
Leslie Wolchuck, Caryn Wolchuck, Patty Britton, Erlanna Lohayza and Jeanette Silva	Magnolia Tree	Peachwood Park	In Loving Memory of Our Friend, Jayne Smith
Ann Spalteholz and Donna Pickard	Lemon Gum	Rimgate Park	In Memory of Daisy Rigdon
Patricia A. Lee	Magnolia Tree	Peachwood Park	Mildred Ricks